

Amendments to the Claims

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application.

1. (original) A polynucleotide molecule comprising a promoter region in operable linkage to a dicistronic transcription unit, said unit encoding a heavy chain immunoglobulin or a fragment thereof and a light chain immunoglobulin.

2. (original) The polynucleotide molecule of claim 1, wherein said heavy chain or heavy chain fragment and light chain are chimeric.

3. (original). The molecule of claim 1 wherein said promoter is prokaryotic.

4. (currently amended). The molecule of claim 1 wherein said heavy chain or heavy chain fragment and said light chain ~~encoding units~~ are separately operably linked to a sequence coding for a polypeptide secretion signal.

5. (original). The molecule of claim 4, wherein said polypeptide secretion signal is a pectate lyase signal peptide.

6. (original). The molecule of claim 4, wherein said polypeptide secretion signal is useful for prokaryotic secretion.

7-15. Canceled.

16. (currently amended). A purified polynucleotide molecule encoding ~~the~~
~~immunoglobulin molecule of claim 7 or 10~~ (a) a heavy chain immunoglobulin molecule,
or a fragment thereof, linked to a polypeptide secretion signal or (b) a light chain
immunoglobulin molecule linked to a polypeptide secretion signal.

17-94. Canceled.